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COUNTRY Poland REPORT

TOPIC Lodz-Ruda Pabjanicka Airfield 50X1

EVALUATION PLACE OBTAINED 50X1-HUM

DATE OF CONTENT

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REFERENCES

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REMARKS (Lodz: Formerly Litzmannstadt)

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1. There was an airfield at the southwestern edge of Lodz (52/0 93), just west of the Ruda Pabjanicka suburb. From east to west it measured 1,600 to 1,800 meters, extending as far as the Lublinek (52/0 83) woods, while its north-south extension was 1,000 to 1,200 meters. There was an oval concrete taxiway at least 20 meters wide. * Installations located on the north side of the taxiway included a gray-green stuccoed administration building with a tower-like superstructure, a brick hangar 80 to 100 meters long with an arched corrugated sheet metal roof, and a destroyed hangar.

2. Three or four biplanes and three single-engine low-wing monoplanes fitted with radial engines, rigid landing gears and two open seats were seen continually at the field. The planes made only individual flights of up to 30 minutes duration. On the occasion of an air demonstration in May 1950, they were available to the local population for flights over the town. **

3. The airfield was used by twin-engine commercial Douglas planes. It was stated on a poster seen in the Lot Travelling Agency on Ulica Piotrkowska that scheduled flights were made from Lodz to Breslau (P 52/C 52), Warsaw (R 53/P 99), Posen (P 53/X 26), Danzig (55/Y 43) and Stettin (O 54/ 65). **

4. No soldiers, but 20 to 25 civilians, were seen at the field.

5. One Polish Air Force training regiment was allegedly in a woods near Tuszyn (52/0 92). The brother of a Polish friend of source served with this unit during the spring of 1950. ***

* Comment: The northern section of the oval taxiway is a concrete runway about 1,500 meters long, a fact which was not recognized by source. 50X1-HUM

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** [redacted] Comment: The field seems to be a commercial installation. 50X1-HUM
The primary pilot training given there is believed to be
organized by the local Aero Club. The pertinent statements refute
previous information, according to which the field was believed 50X1-HUM
to be occupied by a fighter pilot school. [redacted]
[redacted] The present report is considered to be 50X1-HUM

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